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#### **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### Melbourne, 23 July 2002

Foster's Group Limited today announced that it will commence an on-market share buy-back of up to 9 million shares of its outstanding issued capital.

On 9 November 2001, Foster's advised the ASX of its intention to buy back on market up to a maximum of 50 million shares over a 12-month period.

Consistent with this announcement and its ongoing capital management policy, Foster's intends to commence buying back shares equivalent to the amount of new shares issued under the company's employee share plans in fiscal 2002.

Foster's intends to continue with this buy-back policy for new shares issued under its employee shares plans in the future, subject to satisfactory conditions prevailing.

#### **Further Information:**

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## **Appendix 3E**

# Daily share buy-back notice (except minimum holding buy-back and selective buy-back)

Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public. Introduced 1/9/99. Origin: rule 3.6, Appendix 7C. Amended 30/9/2001.

Name of entity ABN Foster's Group Limited 49 007 620 886

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

#### Information about buy-back

Total of all shares bought back, or in relation to which acceptances have been received, before, and on, previous day

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3	Number of shares bought back or if buy-back is an equal access scheme, in relation to which acceptances have been received	2,500,000	2,000,000	
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	Total consideration paid or	•		
4	Total consideration paid or payable for the shares	\$11,326,250	\$9,141,400	

+ See chapter 19 for defined terms.

				Before previous day	Previous day
5	If buy-back buy-back	is an	on-market	highest price paid: \$4.57 date: 24/7/02	highest price paid: \$4.58
				lowest price paid: <b>\$4.50</b> date: <b>24/7/02</b>	lowest price paid: \$4.54
				·	highest price allowed under rule 7.33: <b>\$4.75</b>

### Participation by directors

6 Deleted 30/9/2001.

### How many shares may still be bought back?

7 If the company has disclosed an intention to buy back a maximum number of shares - the remaining number of shares to be bought back

Overall 45,500,000 - however, under the current tranche announced on 23 July 2002: 4,500,000

## **Compliance statement**

- 1. The company is in compliance with all Corporations Act requirements relevant to this buy-back.
- 2. There is no information that the listing rules require to be disclosed that has not already been disclosed, or is not contained in, or attached to, this form.

Sign here:

(<del>Directo</del>r/Company secretary)

FOHN HILL

Date: . 26 July 2002

Print name:

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**FACSIMILE** 

Department: COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS OFFICE

DATE:

26/07/2002

TIME:

08:51:34

TO:

FOSTER'S GROUP LIMITED

FAX NO:

03-9645-7226

FROM:

AUSTRALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE LIMITED

COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENTS OFFICE

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ivari	ne of entity	ABN	
Foster's Group Limited			49 007 620 886
	(the entity) give ASX the following ormation about buy-back		
1	Type of buy-back	On-m	arket
2	Date Appendix 3C was given to ASX	9 Novem	ber 2001
	er ur i de la currencia. Si la move e al culto de la companya		# (\$158.57.5%)
	tal of all shares boug ceptances have been rece	•	
	ceptanices have been rece	iveu, before, and on,	previous day
	deptançes nave been rece	Before previous	Previous day
3	Number of shares bought back or if buy-back is an equal access scheme, in relation to which acceptances have been	Before previous day	Previous day 2,500,000
	Number of shares bought back or if buy-back is an equal access scheme, in relation to	Before previous day	2,500,000
	Number of shares bought back or if buy-back is an equal access scheme, in relation to which acceptances have been received.	Before previous day	2,500,000
· .	Number of shares bought back or if buy-back is an equal access scheme, in relation to which acceptances have been received.  Total consideration paid or	Before previous day	2,500,000 \$11,326,250

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		Before previous	Previous day			
		day				
5	If buy-back is an on-market buy-back	highest price paid: <b>n.a.</b> date: <b>n.a.</b>	highest price paid: \$4.57			
		lowest price paid: n.a.				
		date: <b>n.a.</b>	lowest price paid: \$4.50			
			highest price allowed under rule 7.33: <b>\$4.76</b>			
Pai	Participation by directors					
6	Deleted 30/9/2001.					
How many shares may still be bought back?						
7	If the company has disclosed an intention to buy back a maximum number of shares - the remaining number of shares to be bought back	Overall 47,500,000 - however, under				
Compliance statement						
1.	The company is in compliance with all Corporations Act requirements relevant to this buy-back.					
There is no information that the listing rules require to be disclosed that has not already been disclosed or is not contained in, or attached to, this form.						
Sign here: Date: 25 July 2002 (Director/Company secretary)						
Print name: JOHN HILL						

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